

IC 20-1-20.5

Chapter 20.5. Education Roundtable

IC 20-1-20.5-1

"Board"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "board" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-10.1-1-17.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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"Roundtable"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "roundtable" refers to the education roundtable established by section 3 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Establishment

Sec. 3. The education roundtable is established.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Membership

Sec. 4. The roundtable consists of the following members:

(1) A number of members appointed jointly by the governor and the superintendent of public instruction. These members must be representatives of:

- (A) business and community leaders;
- (B) elementary and secondary education, including programs for exceptional learners (as defined in IC 20-10.2-2-5.5); and
- (C) higher education.

The number of members appointed under clause (A) must be equal to the number of members appointed under clauses (B) and (C).

(2) Two (2) members appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate from different political parties.

(3) Two (2) members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives from different political parties.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.112-2002, SEC.1.

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Compensation and expenses of members

Sec. 5. (a) A member of the roundtable is not entitled to a salary per diem.

(b) A member of the roundtable is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Cochairpersons; quorum

Sec. 6. (a) The governor and the superintendent of public instruction shall jointly serve as cochairpersons of the roundtable. The roundtable shall meet upon the call of the cochairpersons.

(b) A quorum of the roundtable must be present to conduct business. A quorum consists of a majority of the voting members appointed to the roundtable. The roundtable may not take an official action unless the official action has been approved by at least a majority of the voting members appointed to serve on the roundtable.
As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Permanence of roundtable

Sec. 7. The roundtable is a permanent body and working group.
As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Recommendations; fiscal analysis by roundtable and legislative services agency

Sec. 8. (a) The roundtable shall provide recommendations on subjects related to education to the following:

- (1) The governor.
- (2) The superintendent of public instruction.
- (3) The general assembly.
- (4) The board.

(b) Before providing a recommendation under subsection (a), the roundtable shall prepare an analysis of the fiscal impact that the recommendation will have on the state, political subdivisions, and private schools affected by the recommendation. The analysis must be submitted with the recommendation under subsection (a).

(c) Whenever the roundtable provides a recommendation under subsection (a) and the fiscal impact prepared under subsection (b) indicates that the impact of the recommendation will be at least five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), the roundtable shall submit a copy of the recommendation and the fiscal impact prepared under subsection (b) to the legislative services agency for review. Not more than forty-five (45) days after receiving a copy of the recommendation and fiscal analysis, the legislative services agency shall prepare a fiscal analysis concerning the effect that compliance with the recommendation will have on:

- (1) the state; and
- (2) political subdivisions and private schools affected by the proposed recommendation.

The fiscal analysis must contain an estimate of the direct fiscal impact of the recommendation and a determination concerning the extent to which the recommendation creates an unfunded mandate on the state, a political subdivision, or a private school affected by the proposed recommendation. The fiscal analysis is a public document. The legislative services agency shall make the fiscal analysis

available to interested parties upon request. The roundtable shall provide the legislative services agency with the information necessary to prepare the fiscal analysis. The legislative services agency may also receive and consider applicable information from the entities affected by the recommendation in preparation of the fiscal analysis. The legislative services agency shall provide copies of its fiscal analysis to each of the persons described in subsection (a).

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.224-2003, SEC.270.

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Subject of recommendations

Sec. 9. The roundtable shall make recommendations to the board for improving the academic standards under IC 20-10.1-16.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

IC 20-1-20.5-10

Review and recommendation of academic standards and ISTEP program

Sec. 10. The roundtable shall review and recommend to the board for the board's approval the following:

- (1) The academic standards under IC 20-10.1-16 for all grade levels from kindergarten through grade 12.
- (2) The content and format of the ISTEP program, including the following:
 - (A) The graduation examination.
 - (B) The passing scores required at the various grade levels tested under the ISTEP program.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Considerations in making recommendations

Sec. 11. In making recommendations under section 10 of this chapter, the roundtable shall consider:

- (1) a variety of available national and international assessments and tests;
- (2) the development of an assessment or test unique to Indiana; and
- (3) any combination of assessments or tests described under subdivisions (1) and (2).

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Recommendations to board

Sec. 12. In making recommendations under section 10 of this chapter, the roundtable shall recommend to the board only state tests that when appropriate:

- (1) present the content of each test in an interdisciplinary manner; and

(2) provide each student with the opportunity to meet the academic standards in an applied manner.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.

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Rules

Sec. 13. The board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.

As added by P.L.146-1999, SEC.1.